



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

Re: Allen County
Westminster Sewer Improvement Area WWTP
Construction
Storm Water

August 14, 2012

Mr. Brad Niemeyer
Allen County Engineering Department
c/o Commissioners
3230 Cole Street
Lima, Ohio 45802

Mr. Rick Coffman
Kirk Brothers Company, Inc.
11942 West US Route 224
Alvada, Ohio 44802

Dear Messrs. Niemeyer and Coffman:

On July 17, 2012, I inspected Westminster Sewer Improvement Area Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) located at 6260 McPheron Road, Auglaize Township (photos taken). The purpose of the visit was to evaluate compliance of the site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for storm water discharges associated with construction activity, Facility ID No. 2GC02696*AG. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. No one was present onsite at the time of my visit.

It appeared that construction at the site was complete and the majority of the site had been seeded and had a grass cover. A Notice of Termination (NOT) must be filed to relieve you of the obligation to comply with this general permit. An NOT may be filed if one or more of the following conditions have been met:

- Final stabilization has been established on all areas of the site for which the permittee is responsible. Final stabilization means that all soil disturbing activities at the site are complete and a uniform perennial vegetative cover of at least 70% density has been established over the entire site. All temporary erosion and sediment control measures have been removed, properly disposed of, and all trapped sediment has been permanently stabilized; or
- Another operator(s) has assumed control over all areas of the site that have not been fully stabilized.

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Your site does not yet appear to meet all of the conditions mentioned above. Specifically, I observed that the vegetation has not yet met the 70% density requirement. Bare areas must be reseeded this fall. Once a 70% density of perennial vegetation has been reached on all disturbed ground, you may remove any temporary sediment controls and file the NOT form. The NOT form and instructions can be found on our website:

<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx>

NOTs must be mailed to Ohio EPA's Central Office within 45 days of when the above criteria are met.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (419) 373-3025.

Sincerely,



Jessica Heitman
Division of Storm Water
Storm Water Program

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